

KODAN ----

Let's Get Acquain

by Ruby Compton

Wave Columnist

Finley Reid Hendrix was born in Lund, Nevada on April 10, 1919, a son of Ervin Lester and Margaret Reid Hendrix. Finn, as he was known, was raised on the stories told to him by his parents about their pioneer parents and Finn was proud of his family history.

proud of his family history.

His great grandfather, Daniel Hendrix came West with the Brigham Young company in 1847. He was sent on to help settle the St. George area. There he started cattle ranching and was successful in this business. Finn's grandfather was raised on the ranch near St. George and the cattle grazed on the "Arizona Strip."

When the Hendrix family sold their ranch near St. George and moved on to Lund, Nevada, so they could help colonize the area as they were called to do, Finn's father was only seven years old. However, he helped in the cattle drive. Now Lund is about thirty five miles south of Ely, Nevada. It was quite isolated when his grandparents helped colonize the area. Their's was the main ranch and eventually a post office and a state elementary school were constructed on the ranch property.

Finn's mothers' people, the Reid's, were early pioneers in the Manti, UT area. Mr. Reid had been converted to the LDS Church when he was a little fellow. Great grandfather Reid came to Manti in 1870 and sent for his family, who had remained in their home in Belfast, Ireland, to come make their home in Manti in 1872. The family settled on a ranch near Manti. When grandfather Reid was a young man, he took his wife and little Margaret to live in Park City where he could work in the quartz mines for a salary. The quartz mines were rich with gold, silver, lead and zink. Finn's mother, Margaret, was five years old but she remembered much about the old mining town.

In 1900, Grandfather Reid was so very ill with "miners consumption" that he took his family to live on a ranch in Nevada thinking the dry climate would help him. He died three years later, leaving a widow with four little children. Margaret was ten and the oldest. Instead of just giving up, Grandma Reid raised huge gardens of vegetables which was hauled by the wagon load to Ely where there was a good market. She also did laundry for others and raised hay to sell in Ely. Through the years she became completely deaf, but she continued on with her work. They were real pioneers, those old



Mr. and Mrs. Finley Hendrix

the youngest daughter of President of the Sumt-Branch of the LDS Church.

Three months after he completed his mission, he returned to Sumt, South Caroline and married Jaunita McLoud on Jan. 19, 1943. Two months later, their marriage was solemnized in the Salt Lake

City LDS Temple.

Jaunita was 19 years old when she married Finn and she had never been far from home. She was the youngest of six children born to Richard Stakley and Mollie Geddings McLoud. She was a third generation LDS Church member. Her grandfather and father had been converted on the same day. As time went on, Rich S. McLoud and his brother, William McDonald McLoud kept the branch going.

Jaunita's Father was a cotton farmer in Sunter County. He was also Branch Pres. of the 70 members of the LDS Church and had been a staunch worker before he became President and he worked to make a success of his calling. His wife, Mollie loved helping him to achieve his success. She was a good cook, a good nurse, and a good friend to all who came to her home. Jaunita said it was no wonder she married a missionary. She and the other children all graduated from Hill Crest High School in the little town of Dalzell, 12 miles out of Sumter, South Carolina. All students were graduates after completion of the eleventh grade. She had been interested in music, basketball and public speaking. She was a

cheerleader, too.

was able to visit there before he shipped out. Of the thirty months they were apart, he spent twenty of them in a World Ward Medic Station near Oxford, England in a hospital of 1,500 beds. Two days after the invasion of Normandy, all the beds were full. Finn received an honorable discharge from the Army on Nov. 4, 1945.

Jaunita and their two year old

Jaunita and their two year old daughter, LaRose, met him in Salt Lake City, and they went on to the ranch to take up their lives together.

Their children are LaRose. She married Robert Hiatt. They live in Heber City, UT. He worked as a bookkeeper for Wasatch Auto. They have four children.

Danney Lester Hendrix filled an LDS Mission in the same area as Finn had filled his mission in South Carolina. Many of the people there had pictures of Finn to show him. Danney returned from the mission and married Twila Hubsmith from Rupert, Idaho. He is a CPA in Salt Lake City. They have three children.

Cathie married Dee Dixon of Gooding, Idaho. Last July they and their five children moved to Columbia, South America where Dee is working as a CPA for M.K. Construction company. Dee has twice been Bishop in places he has worked. They are busy trying to organize and teach the people how to run an LDS Stake.

Vicki married Robert Giles. They live in Heber City and he is the Supervisor of Maintenance and Purchasing Agent for the Wasatch County Hospital. He is a councilor in the 9th Ward

ted

while he recovered from injuries affered when his horse fell on im during round-up. Next he ought a nice dairy farm with 60 ne dairy cows, in Idaho. After a sw years he found he cound't do is work, so he sold out and came live in Heber City, UT in 1968. The clerked in the Old Exchange ore for a year then he went to rovo, UT. and worked with ermages store. Later he helped itablish the Wolf Sporting Goods bening in the Orem Mall.

In July of 1974, they returned to beer City and opened Finn's eata. They have been happying in Heber, and found from eir first day that the people ar endly and it is a good place

ake their home.

loopt."

David, along with about 250 other athletes were all winners because they were "brave in the attempt." They finished and with or without medals they were all proud winners.

Next year, Park City will have the honor of hosting the International Winter Games for Special Olympics. We are looking forward to having David participate in these games.

Wasatch nvitational

Due to a back injury in 1959, Finn was told that he could no longer carry the burdens of managing a 10 thousand acre cattle ranch, so he sold out and took his family back to Sumter, S.C. They were there two years

Margaret married Hugh Howard, They have two children. Hugh has another year to go at ton. Though Jaunita and Finn stopped their formal education after high school, they have seen to it that all of their children went on the college. All were married in the temple and are very active members of the LDS Church, members of the LDS Church.

children. Vicki and LaRose do a lot of singing here in Heber. Finn said he and Jaunita used to sing at gatherings when the children were small, and they taught them to sing while on long trips. This stopped most of the bickering.

Outdoor





There are apparently several ways of looking at things. Decision-makers in northern Utah are dredging and channeling streams like the upper Provo, Weber, etc. to avoid spring floods.

Weber, etc. to avoid spring floods. In the March issue of Western Outdoors magazine Utah editor Jack Nelson says Beehive State streams have been "ruined by over-eager county officials with bulldozers." He quotes a Salt Lake Tribune outdoor writer as saying the Weber in Morgan-Summit counties "were gutted for at least 20 miles in ill-advised efforts at flood control."

Nelson states that a report issued by the Utah Div. Wildlife Resources indicates biological guidelines, to obtain flood control

Finn and Jaunita were happy in their home and were on the ranch about three months when Finn got his letter from Uncle Sam saying "Greetings..." he went into the Army on May 4, 1943 and Jaunita returned to Sunter, South Caroteurined to Sunter, South Caroteurined to Sunter, South Caroteurined to Sunter, South Caro-

ing to Ely, Nevada and seeing the ing to Ely, Nevada and seeing the thought the thirty-five mile drive from Ely to Lund would never end. The road was a graveled country road that stretched on and on and they were tired. Finally, they arrived at the ranch and was taken to live in a one roomed log cabin, but they had the entire outdoors to live in. They were not too far from the main ranch house.

brothers' store until she and Finn were married, Her mother was distraught when her 'baby'' left to live in Lund, Nevada.

Jaunita said she enjoyed travel-

wildlife which were once provided.

But aren't the decision-makers up against a rock and a hard spot in trying to prevent local spring flooding? Not according to the state wildlife resource division people, biologists at the local colleges (including BYU, Utah, Utah State Universities) and the

In 1940, Finn was called to serve a two year mission in the Southern states. The President of the mission warned the young men that they were to remain uninvolved with they were to remain uninvolvinety could keep their eyes open. Finn kept his eyes open and determined that he would choose

Finn's boyhood was all spent on the ranch. The trip to Ely was 35 miles one way, and his interests were to work with cattle and attend church each Sunday. He also enjoyed his school assignments. Later on, he went in to Lund to attend Lund White Pine High School, a branch of the Ely White Pine High School. He was there for one year, and spent the next year at American Fork High School while he lived at his aunt's spent at home and he attended spent at home and he attended the strength of 1938.

Lund Ward for 13 years before another took his place, then he retired to live in St. George where he and his wife, Margaret, were Temple Workers for the next ten years. After his death, Margaret moved back to live in Lund. She was buried there on Monday, was buried there on Monday, old.

